



Some of the 1,500 Muslim women and children being transported by UN trucks on Thursday from the besieged town of Srebrenica to the Muslim-controlled town of Tuzla.

Bonn Gets Go-Ahead From High Court for Bosnia Combat Role

By Marc Fisher Washington Post Service

BERLIN — Germany's highest court took a historic step on Thursday toward ending the country's post-World War II military prohibition, approving German participation in the United Nations mission over Bosnia-Herzegovina next week.

The decision, which makes up one-third of the court's ruling, is a landmark in German military policy. It will be the first German soldiers to take part in a combat mission since 1945.

While the nation watched on live television, Judge Ernst Gottfried Mahrenholz read the Federal Constitutional Court's strongly worded decision warning that continuing Germany's self-imposed restrictions on its military role would "endanger the trust for Germany within the NATO alliance."

The court's 5-to-3 decision made little reference to the constitutionality of an expanded German military role, relying instead almost entirely on the political damage the court said would result from a refusal to participate in the UN-ordered mission.

The ruling was a badly needed lift for Chancellor Helmut Kohl, who had risked both his country's standing with its Western allies and the very survival of his three-party coalition by taking the military dispute to the court in Karlsruhe.

Defense Minister Volker Rühe, speaking for Mr. Kohl, greeted the ruling as a sign that "the demands the international community has made on the reunited Germany can now be better fulfilled."

"This decision is of great international significance," he said.

NATO ambassadors meeting in Brussels on Thursday approved final plans for enforcement of a "no-fly" zone over Bosnia, an attempt to step up pressure against Serbian aggression in the former Yugoslavia. (Page 4)

The Free Democratic Party of Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel last week feared the strange and, even to many Bonn insiders, embarrassing decision for the government to see itself. The Free Democrats refused to join Mr. Kohl in advocating German participation in the AWACS flights, throwing to the court a decision that the splintered government coalition had repeatedly failed to make.

On Thursday evening, Mr. Kinkel welcomed the ruling, saying that "politically, I always wanted this."

He added that the Free Democrats had been motivated only by "legal reservations" about the constitutionality of German participation in the NATO mission.

The German government seemed paralyzed

UN Ferries Refugees To Safety

Compiled by Our Staff From Despatches

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina — In a breakthrough for United Nations relief operations, 14 trucks packed with about 1,500 ill and wounded Muslim civilians left the besieged Bosnian town of Srebrenica on Thursday, a UN spokesman said.

But defiant Bosnian Serbs prevented the UN command and Canadian peacekeepers from entering.

Srebrenica has been blockaded by Serbs for a year, but the convoy was permitted to enter the town with relief supplies and then to leave later for the Muslim-controlled city of Tuzla with women, children and elderly refugees.

In a related development at The Hague, the International Court of Justice ordered Serbia to prevent acts of genocide in Bosnia-Herzegovina. (Page 4)

But there were also serious setbacks for the UN operations. UN officials said Serbs had found more than 7,500 rounds of ammunition hidden in a relief truck halted at a Serbian checkpoint en route to a Muslim-held district of Sarajevo.

And two peacekeepers were killed in Croatia, just north of the border with Bosnia. UN spokesmen in Belgrade said the two Nigerians were killed on duty early Wednesday. They were the 30th and 31st peacekeepers to die since UN troops were deployed in Croatia a year ago.

The UN commander, General Philippe Morillon, was forced to give up plans to enter Srebrenica and protect the town with about 150 Canadian peacekeepers, UN officials said. The Serbs have demanded the evacuation of 18,000 Serbs from mainly-Muslim Tuzla in exchange for closer cooperation with the UN over Srebrenica.

The convoy reached Srebrenica earlier Thursday and food after being delayed by several thousand Serbs in nearby Bratunac who tried to pillage some of the trucks.

The convoy was also held up just before departure by local people who surrounded the trucks during loading.

About 20 minutes later the convoy reached the first Serbian checkpoint, where four more trucks belonging to the High Commissioner for Refugees were to take on some of the refugees to ease crowding.

Nine people, including two babies and five children, died of suffocation or trampling in a stampede to board relief trucks on two earlier occasions.

Local Muslim leaders had blocked the last two attempts to evacuate refugees, accusing UN officials of helping Serbs to clear Muslims from the area under the process known as ethnic cleansing.

UN sources said General Morillon had earlier been given permission by the Serbs to go to Srebrenica without the 120 Canadian peacekeepers.

But witnesses said General Manojlo Milovanovic, the Bosnian Serbian army's chief of staff, extricated General Morillon from a crowd of 300 demonstrators on the road to Srebrenica and said they had been right to detain him.

He accused General Morillon of betraying an agreement to secure the release of

Pakistan Finds Itself on a Radical Front Line

By Edward A. Gargan New York Times Service

PESHAWAR, Pakistan — It was a routine roadblock, the sort that the police in this Wild West border town have put up in recent weeks to try to stanch the flood of cars being stolen here and then raced through the Khyber Pass into Afghanistan. What the police found, though, were not run-of-the-mill car thieves, but four Libyans armed with pistols and hand grenades.

The next day, when the police raided the home of one of the Libyans, they were attacked by two men who threw a hand grenade as they tried to escape. Both men were captured, and they, too, turned out to be Libyans.

For 14 years, this town was the front line in a war against communism and the Soviet Union waged by the Central Intelligence Agency, the Pakistani government and a stew of Afghan Islamic guerrillas and their sympathizers from the Muslim world. Billions of dollars from the United States and Saudi Arabia were poured into the guerrilla effort.

Now, a year after victorious but feuding Afghan rebels entered Kabul, Pakistan is left with the remnants of that war: radical Arabs who were once welcome here because they fought alongside Afghans, but who now want to use Pakistani or Afghan territory to spread the jihad, or holy war, to their own homelands.

Down alleyways lined with tiny shops, in the leafy upper-middle-class residential areas, and spilling into the unpaved tribal areas north of here, several thousand Arabs have settled down, moving easily back and forth across the border into Afghanistan.

Many of them work in well-known relief agencies, like the Red Crescent Society. But others, former guerrillas, have continued to use Pakistan, and increasingly Afghanistan, as bases for violent actions against Arab countries, including Egypt, Algeria and Kuwait.

"These are people who came in during the Afghan jihad with the conviction of the world," said Abdul Basit Haqqani, a

China Admits Links to Hong Kong Gangs

By Nicholas D. Kristof New York Times Service

BEIJING — China's highest law enforcement official said Thursday that his police maintained links with Mafia-style gangs based in Hong Kong and once even used them to help protect a Chinese leader traveling abroad.

The statement was a startling admission of China's cooperation with the gangs, known as triads, which engage in extortion, prostitution, bank robbery, smuggling, narcotics trafficking and murder. Triad enforcers sometimes punish those who reveal secrets by hacking them with meat cleavers and leaving them to bleed to death.

Tao Siju, the minister of public security, emphasized that the government strongly opposed criminal activities by the gangs. But he added that some of those in the triads were good patriots with whom China could cooperate.

"As for organizations like the triads in Hong Kong, as long as these people are patriotic, as long as they are concerned with Hong Kong's prosperity and stability, we should unite with them," Mr. Tao said. "I believe that the more people we unite with the better."

Asked if the police had contacts with the triads, Mr. Tao said, "Our public security or-

Why a Somali Hit Man Still Walks Free

By Keith B. Richburg Washington Post Service

MOGADISHU, Somalia — In January, Sean Devereaux, a fiery and determined British teacher running the Kismayo office of the United Nations Children's Fund, was shot and killed on a dusty road as he walked the short distance home from work.

U.S. Army criminal investigators assert that the assassin was a well-known local hit man, who was hired to assassinate Mr. Devereaux by a Somali truck driver fearful of having his contract with UNICEF cut.

The final report of the U.S. Army's criminal investigation command says that when Mr. Devereaux left the UNICEF compound with two Somali colleagues, the alleged assassin followed him, walked up to him and shot him once in the back of the head and twice more in the buttocks as the aid worker lay face down in the dirt, close to his front gate.

Mr. Devereaux's slaying last Jan. 2 shocked international relief workers here and was widely held up as an example of the continuing dangers expatriate aid workers face in Somalia despite the presence of thousands of U.S. and other combat troops.

Now, more than three months later, the man who is said to have pulled the trigger walks free, even though the U.S. Army investigators and internal United Nations inquiries have identified him as the killer.

The Army investigative report makes no specific recommendation, but does conclude that if the alleged killer were arrested, he could be charged with murder and conspiracy under the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

How the suspect remains free is the testament to the total collapse of any formal system of justice or government in Somalia, a country where virtually anyone can now get away with murder. U.S. military officials say that even though they monitored the alleged killer's movements during January and February, they have no powers of arrest in Somalia and no functioning courts in which to try him if he were arrested.

A newly re-formed local police force operates in Kismayo, but it has proven ineffective in the Devereaux case. The police told UN officials that they were afraid to move against the suspect without visible support from the U.S. and Belgian troops operating in Kismayo.

The police discovered the alleged assassin was politically well-

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MASTERFUL START — Jack Nicklaus sinking a birdie on No. 17 on the way to a 5-under-par 67 Thursday to share the early lead in the the Masters. Page 17.

U.S. Threatens Libya Oil Ban

UNITED NATIONS, New York (Reuters) — The Security Council decided Thursday to continue the sanctions it imposed on Libya a year ago for failing to hand over for trial two men accused of blowing up a Pan American World Airways jet over Scotland in 1988.

The sanctions involve an arms and aviation embargo and the downgrading of diplomatic ties. The United States, in a separate statement, said it would consider moves to add an oil embargo if this proved necessary to obtain Libyan compliance. The U.S. delegate, Madeleine K. Albright, said the council was "making very clear that our patience with the Libyans has run out."

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U.S. Still Holds Option of Force In Bosnia War

By Michael R. Gordon New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — With the Clinton administration facing a dilemma over the apparent collapse of peace talks in Bosnia, a senior Defense Department official said Thursday that the use of limited force had not been ruled out.

In recent public remarks, President Bill Clinton appeared to back away from his campaign position that air strikes could be used to curb Serbian aggression. But with Mr. Clinton's top advisers scheduled to meet Friday on the Bosnia crisis, the Defense Department official said that it was possible Washington might yet decide to use force if it became clear that the talks could not be revived.

"I do not think we are giving up on it," the official said. "We are going to look at it."

The "principals committee," a body of senior administration officials, is scheduled to meet Friday to review the Bosnian situation.

The meeting comes amid divisions within the administration over what to do next.

The State Department opposes the use of limited force, such as air strikes. The military, eager to avoid sliding into a quagmire, has argued that such measures would not be decisive. Mr. Clinton's national security adviser, W. Anthony Lake, appears to have been persuaded by these views, as does Mr. Clinton.

But Defense Secretary Les Aspin continues to believe that air strikes should be considered. The senior Defense Department official said Mr. Aspin had yet to make a formal presentation on limited military options to Mr. Clinton, and suggested that such a briefing might yet lead the president to opt for force.

Tower Blast: Ill Wind Blew Some Good

By Peter Passell New York Times Service

NEW YORK — In the first attempt to fully analyze the economic damage caused by the bombing of the World Trade Center, economists have concluded that the explosion has actually provided a lift to the local economy.

The attack — which killed six people and injured 1,000 — wreaked havoc on the city, and officials did not suggest that news of economic benefit would undo the tragedy of it.

But in a report this week, the Port Authority said that because of insurance claims, the reconstruction and cleanup effort was largely being financed from outside the region, supplying jobs to people who lived nearby.

They estimated that the economic activity generated by the terrorist attack would bring more than \$200 million into the regional economy.

Officials of the Port Authority were quick to point out that their analysis did not account for the intangible losses associated with the deaths and injuries in the bombing, or for the emotional trauma to tens of thousands of other New Yorkers affected by the blast.

In any case, they pointed out, the estimated lift is small compared with the region's \$470 billion economy.

In addition, the long-term impact is hard to measure, they said. The costs of higher insurance premiums and increased security for the trade center should not be onerous, but it is not yet clear whether the perceived risks of doing business in the area will make the complex less competitive.

Port Authority officials placed the cost of business disruption and reconstruction at just under \$600 million. That figure is in the same range as a March 1 estimate issued by the New York City comptroller.

But the Port Authority expects that all but \$50 million to \$100 million of out-of-pocket costs to business, local government and the authority will be reimbursed from private in-

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France Opens Fight on Crime and Illegal Immigration

By Alan Riding New York Times Service

PARIS — France's new conservative government announced a major campaign Thursday to combat urban crime and illegal immigration...

and human rights associations fearful that some police have interpreted the arrival of a rightist government as a green light for greater use of force.

ly wounded by a bullet in the head while being pursued near Lille for disturbing the peace.

Footé Sylla, the head of a human rights group called SOS-Racisme, asked Mr. Pasqua to end "the climate of insecurity imposed by security forces on young people."



A young Orthodox Jew using two hats to cover his face on Thursday as he stood among hundreds of worshippers draped in shawls during a special blessing at the Western Wall in Jerusalem.

Rabin Wants to Extend Isolation of Territories

JERUSALEM — Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin on Thursday proposed extending indefinitely a ban on entry to Israel by the nearly 2 million Palestinians of the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

emergency measures against Arab violence as increasing deportations and demolishing the homes of militants.

could fuel the violence he was trying to control. "First of all, solve our problems," he told the Knesset.

U.S. Urges Israeli Concession on Talks

WASHINGTON — In an effort to persuade the Palestinians to resume the Middle East peace talks, the Clinton administration has suggested to Israel that it accept a prominent Palestinian leader from East Jerusalem as head of the Palestinian delegation, according to American officials.

serious new gesture to the Palestinians in advance of the talks. President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt, who was told of the American plan during meetings in Washington early this week, is expected to raise the request — as well as the other ideas — with Mr. Rabin when they meet next week in Egypt.

delegation he would head. Mr. Hussein would become an official interlocutor for the Palestinians, who still view the PLO leader, Yasser Arafat, as their leader.

GANGS: Beijing Admits Links to Hong Kong's Mafia-Style Crime Groups

in the police apparatus, appeared confident and knowledgeable as he discussed a broad range of issues. The triads originated as secret societies intended to restore the Ming Dynasty after it was overthrown in the 17th century.

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Undeterred by Blast, Russia to Push On With Nuclear Power

MOSCOW — Russia will press ahead with its nuclear energy program despite an explosion at a top-secret reprocessing plant in Siberia, officials said Thursday.

"This is a case that could have happened anywhere," said Georgi Kurov, a spokesman for the Nuclear Energy Ministry. "It has no bearing on the future of Russia's nuclear industry."

"The most urgent thing is to stop some operations using similar equipment at reprocessing plants to prevent hysteria," he said, and to "investigate the cause."

WORLD BRIEFS

Russians Release U.S. Journalist

MOSCOW (AP) — Russian security officials questioned an American reporter Thursday for a second time about an article he wrote on the Kremlin's chemical weapons program.

Azerbaijan and Armenia in Truce

MOSCOW (Reuters) — Russia helped negotiate a cease-fire on Thursday in the conflict over the disputed enclave of Nagorno-Karabakh, the Itar-Tass news agency said.

U.S. Warns Pakistan on Terrorism

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher expressed U.S. concern Wednesday to a top Pakistani official about allegations of Pakistani support for terrorism in India and increased tensions between the two longtime rivals.

IRA Rejects Cease-Fire, Senator Says

BELFAST (AP) — A senator from Ireland whose daughter was killed by the IRA said Thursday that his meeting with IRA representatives about their campaign of violence had been "pointless" because they had indicated there was no chance for a cease-fire.

Turkish Troops Kill Greek Cypriot

NICOSIA (AP) — Turkish troops shot and killed a Greek Cypriot national guardman on Thursday after he crossed into the no-man's-land cutting across this divided island, according to a report on state-run Greek Cypriot television.

For the Record

President Bill Clinton has nominated Marshall McCallie, a career diplomat, to be ambassador to Namibia. Mr. McCallie has been deputy chief of mission in South Africa since 1990 and has served in Liberia, the United Arab Emirates and Zaire.

TRAVEL UPDATE

American Airlines plans to drop 40 percent of its flights from its San Jose hub, and Southwest Airlines announced it would begin flying from the northern California city. American plans to drop 17 jet flights and 31 commuter flights at San Jose as of July 1.

Airlines are being advised to ban use of such electronic devices as video games and laptop computers by passengers during takeoff and landing. The International Air Transport Association, representing 213 airlines, said the decision to recommend the ban was made by its technical committee at a meeting in Geneva.

British rail workers have scheduled a second one-day strike Friday over proposed job losses. About 68,000 members of the Rail, Maritime and Transport Union will join with 16,000 train engineers. Leaders of the strike said government plans to sell the state rail network to the private sector will mean widespread layoffs.

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ON THE TRADING FLOOR IN MOSCOW — The Democratic leader of the U.S. House of Representatives, Richard A. Gephardt of Missouri, left, and the House Republican leader, Robert H. Michel of Illinois, second from right, touring the Moscow stock exchange Thursday with a group of U.S. lawmakers. Fifteen members of the U.S. Congress are visiting the former Soviet Union during the recess.

White House Beats Drum for Jobs Bill Gore Says Republicans Ignore 'Human Cost' of Filibuster

By Paul F. Horvitz
International Herald Tribune

WASHINGTON — Senior aides to President Bill Clinton stepped up their campaign on Thursday for quick adoption of his economic stimulus plan, and Vice President Al Gore said those stalling it in the Senate ignore "the human cost of playing politics" with American jobs.

The latest White House political offensive came as Mr. Clinton formally submitted to Congress a \$152 billion budget for the coming fiscal year. The budget incorporates virtually all of the new taxes and spending cuts that were revealed by the White House in February in an attempt to nearly halve the federal debt over time.

Mr. Clinton's budget director, Leon E. Panetta, used the occasion to issue a plea to Republicans in the Senate, who are blocking a final vote on the separate \$16.3 billion short-term stimulus package. The White House says the legislation would create 500,000 jobs.

"This economic plan is in the interest of all Americans," he said at a briefing for reporters, later calling it a "courageous" break with past trends.

"If the American people sent any message in November," he added, "it's 'stop the gridlock and let the system work. For God's sake, at least let it come to a vote.'"

The president was en route to Little Rock,

Arkansas, where his father-in-law, Hugh Rodham, died Wednesday after a stroke, but he is expected to join in lobbying for his jobs plan.

The outcome of the Senate struggle could determine whether Mr. Clinton is able to push through his economic agenda, which calls for major deficit reduction as well as more targeted spending in areas like research and education that the president hopes will make the United States more competitive.

In addition, Mr. Clinton wants Congress to quickly pass the stimulus package. It focuses on job-creating grants to states and cities, plus new spending on nutrition, student loans, immunizations and water and sewer projects. The package has passed the House of Representatives.

But Senate Republicans, maintaining strict party discipline, began a filibuster over the weekend and prevented the Democrats from gaining the 60 votes they need in the 100-member Senate to shut off debate. Republicans maintain that the stimulus plan is merely "pork," or political gifts for favored Democratic constituencies.

Although there is much talk of compromise, Mr. Clinton's aides signaled their intention to bring public pressure to bear on the Republicans. The Senate Republican leader, Bob Dole of Kansas, decided the Clinton budget Thursday as simply more taxes and more spending.

In defense of the package, Laura D'Andrea

Tyson, chairman of the White House Council of Economic Advisers, cited continued weakness in job-creation, private investment and consumer confidence. She said Thursday, "We believe that the economic logic of the stimulus is very sound."

Asked whether he had prepared any concessions or threats for the Republicans, Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen, a former Democratic senator, responded: "I've been in negotiations for years with Senator Dole, and we turn those cards over one at a time."

By the White House's reckoning, the five-year budget projections indicate that the current U.S. debt, which stands at 5.2 percent of gross domestic product, will fall to 2.8 percent by the 1997 fiscal year. That is to be accomplished through a total of \$514 billion in spending cuts.

Mr. Clinton's plan would raise taxes by \$320 billion over five years, primarily by instituting a tax on the heat content of fuels, by raising income taxes for about 2 percent of the nation's wealthiest taxpayers and by increasing the corporate income tax by 2 points, to 36 percent.

The plan would also slow the rise in spending on certain "entitlements," such as the Medicare health insurance program for the elderly, and would cut the military budget by some \$114 billion by 1997. Total spending cuts would roughly equal the amount raised in new taxes.

★ POLITICAL VOICES ★

Gore Hears the Whistleblower at Agriculture

WASHINGTON — The vice president met the whistleblower Live, with cameras rolling and about 300 Agriculture Department employees watching.

Brad Benson of the Farmer's Home Administration had held up his fist during Vice President Al Gore's opening remarks for a "reinvigorating government" session, and Mr. Gore, who noticed Mr. Benson's gesture, asked him to go first with an example of what's wrong with the government.

Mr. Gore got an earful.

Mr. Benson said his agency had been involved in "massive wasteful practices" that included unneeded furniture purchases, and that some of it was still going on. He said that when he had reported the misconduct to the department's inspector general, that office had turned on him.

He called on Mr. Gore to "freeze all these procurements" until they were "validated as something absolutely necessary." Mr. Benson also urged the creation of a whistleblowers' task force to investigate the inspector general's office to "find out what they have covered up for the last 12 years."

Although inspectors general are supposed to operate independently of their departments, Mr. Benson said it was clear to him that an "agency cannot investigate itself."

Mr. Benson was interrupted three times with loud applause from the Agriculture employees gathered in the department's sunny Atrium West Patio.

When he was done, the crowd laughed as Mr. Gore responded, "Now I know why you raised your fist."

TBI for Court-Appointed Lawyers Runs Low

WASHINGTON — The federal judiciary says it is rapidly running out of money to pay lawyers appointed by the courts to represent indigent defendants and is evidently upset with the Clinton administration for not rushing to the rescue.

Officials of the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts said the fund to pay lawyers assigned by the courts under the Criminal Justice Act would run dry in May.

White House Archives: Down Memory Hole?

WASHINGTON — A federal judge has ordered the Archivist of the United States and several White House offices to explain why they should not be held in civil contempt for violating his orders to preserve White House computer records from the Bush and Reagan administrations.

In a ruling this week, Judge Charles R. Richey of U.S. District Court said the plaintiffs in the case had satisfied him that two orders he issued in January "must not have been complied with."

He gave the defendants, including former Archivist Don W. Wilson, 10 days to respond and said he would hold a preliminary conference April 19.

Yes, This April 15 Break Is From the Taxman

WASHINGTON — The Internal Revenue Service says it will give a break to taxpayers who file their returns late.

Those who request an extension by April 15 but cannot pay all the taxes they owe at that time will be given until Aug. 15 to file their returns and will not have to pay the 5 percent-a-month failure-to-file penalty.

But that does not mean a free ride for late filers. The tax agency will continue to assess interest at an annual rate of 7 percent on any unpaid taxes. For those who fail to pay at least 90 percent of their total tax liability by April 15, a 0.5 percent per month late-payment penalty will be applied.

Quote/Unquote

Labor Secretary Robert B. Reich, during a briefing on the department's budget for the 1994 fiscal year: "If you think you have job security, take another look."

The Times Accepts Subpoena in Tower Blast

New York Times Service

NEW YORK — The New York Times has agreed to comply with a federal subpoena, saying investigators would be allowed to interview an assistant metropolitan editor and a news clerk who were the first to handle a letter that investigators said was mailed by suspects charged with the bombing of the World Trade Center.

The letter, signed by a group calling itself the Liberation Army Fifth Battalion, was received by the Times on March 2, four days after the bombing.

Law-enforcement officials said on March 27 that the letter was authentic and that it provided the first insight into what might have provoked the attack.

The letter arrived in a manila envelope addressed to the newspaper.

It was opened by Martin Stolz, a news clerk, who gave it to Dave Smith, an assistant metropolitan editor who was coordinating coverage of the bombing.

Because the letter purported to contain knowledge of the explosion, Mr. Smith provided a copy to the police department.

The police later requested and received the original from the Times, then turned it over to the federal-city task force in charge of the bombing investigation.

The Times received a subpoena on Tuesday from a federal grand jury in Manhattan that is investigating the bombing, seeking documents to show who came into contact with the letter.

Instead of providing documents, The Times identified has offered to allow Mr. Smith and Mr. Stolz to be interviewed by investigators. That interview has not yet occurred.

Adam Liptak, a Times attorney, said that the newspaper had agreed to the interviews since they would not concern any news-gathering activity nor would they compromise any sources.

Away From Politics

- An undercover agent with Branch Davidians in Waco, Texas, warned his superiors to call off a firestorm raid on the cult's compound on Feb. 28 after he learned that the leader of the cult, David Koresh, had gotten a tip-off, the Houston Chronicle reported. Four federal agents and at least two cult members were killed in the raid, which resulted in the present six-week standoff.
- The space shuttle *Discovery* roared into orbit from Cape Canaveral, Fla., with a crew of four men and one woman, on a nine-day mission to study the Earth's atmosphere and the things that influence it from above and below.
- The judge in the Rodney King beating case, in which four Los Angeles police officers are charged with violating the civil rights of a black motorist, told lawyers in the case that he feared the jury would be unable to reach a verdict.
- Milwaukee drinking water should be boiled, residents have been told, after tests found an organism in eight water samples in the city, where a digestive illness of unknown cause has recently sickened thousands of people.
- A 7-year-old with a double lung transplant has gone home from the hospital in New Orleans. Lacey Spell, who suffers from cystic fibrosis, was said to be the youngest patient in the nation to undergo such an operation.
- A law that forbids sodomy between consenting adults has been repealed by the District of Columbia Council, which voted unanimously to erase the 45-year old statute over the objections of some religious leaders. The vote followed a 12-year campaign for repeal by Washington's homosexual community.

With Cuomo Out, 5 Emerge as High Court Front-Runners

Los Angeles Times Service

WASHINGTON — The withdrawal of Governor Mario M. Cuomo of New York as a candidate for the Supreme Court has increased chances that President Bill Clinton will fill the post from a group of liberal to moderate jurists who would most likely face little public opposition.

The group includes four federal

judges: Amlia Keane, Richard Arnold, Stephanie Seymour and Patricia Wald. White House sources and knowledgeable Democrats said it also included a New York State appeals court judge, Judith Kaye.

These candidates, who were on Mr. Clinton's short list when he named his attorney general, "seem to have a clear field at the mo-

ment," a Democrat with ties to the White House said.

But White House aides and Democrats noted that Mr. Clinton was continuing to talk to other people about the job. They said that no candidate had a lock on the post, which will open when Justice Byron R. White retires at the end of the current term.

Mr. Cuomo, a top contender for

the job, withdrew from the running last Thursday in a call to Mr. Clinton.

In a letter to Mr. Clinton made public on Wednesday, Mr. Cuomo said he wanted to work on New York's economic problems.

Although his state was "on the way back," he wrote, it had not yet "fully recovered from the punishing national economic decline."

"I believe I can best serve by working to speed and strengthen that recovery in this state," he wrote.

"Given the immense amount of talent available to you, including our own superb Chief Judge Judith Kaye, I do not know whether you might indeed have nominated me," he said. "But because there has been public speculation concerning

the possibility, I think I owe it to you to make clear now that I do not wish to be considered."

White House aides have assembled files of biographical material that a source said included more than 40 names. But White House sources said that the material was supplementary and that the real selection was being handled not by aides but by Mr. Clinton himself.

2 Charged In Murder Of Tourist

The Associated Press

MIAMI — The police charged two men on Thursday with murdering a German tourist who got lost after leaving Miami airport.

The killing of Barbara Meller-Jensen last week caused an international outcry and resulted in travel agency advisories being issued in Germany and Britain. Seven foreign tourists, including three Germans, have been murdered in Florida since last fall.

The two men accused of first-degree murder were Anthony Williams, 18, and Leroy Rogers, 23, who were already in police custody on unrelated robbery charges, Lieutenant John Brooks said.

"Both admitted being involved in the homicide and being part of the strong arm robbery," he said.

Mrs. Meller-Jensen was killed last Friday after her rental car was bumped by another vehicle. When she got out to inspect the damage, she was beaten, robbed and run over by a car while her mother and children watched.

Sergeant Thomas Watson said both suspects had criminal records, including arrests for "serious offenses."

Mr. Williams was on probation for armed robbery. Mr. Rogers's record includes two counts of battery on a police officer, armed kidnapping and incitement to riot.

Investigators said they had recovered the car used to run over Mrs. Meller-Jensen. They said physical evidence was found in it.

Meanwhile, two other men were arrested Wednesday in the shooting last month of a German tourist and his son, both of whom were wounded in the leg. The police said one of the men had a previous criminal record in such crimes.

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Court Orders End To Bosnia Genocide International Tribunal Puts Responsibility on the Serbs

By Eugene Robinson Washington Post Service THE HAGUE — The International Court of Justice demanded Thursday that Serbia take measures to prevent "the crime of genocide" in Bosnia-Herzegovina but did not rule on a request by the Bosnian government to be freed from an international arms embargo.

RELIEF: Success in Bosnia

(Continued from page 1) The 18,000 Serbs in Tuzla, General Morillon turned his vehicle around and followed Milovanovic's helicopter from the Srebrenica area to Caparde, on the border of normal land between Serbian and Muslim territory.

NATO Jets Set to Patrol Bosnian Skies

By William Drozdiak Washington Post Service PARIS — The North Atlantic Treaty Organization prepared Thursday to embark on its first combat mission since its creation in 1949 after informing the United Nations that it would enforce a "no-flight" zone over Bosnia-Herzegovina beginning Monday.

BONN: German High Court Approves Bosnia Mission

(Continued from page 1) This week in anticipation of the court's decision. The country's press was nearly unanimous in denouncing the government's failure to decide the military issue on its own.

MURDER: Why a Hit Man Walks Free in Somalia

(Continued from page 1) connected to the clan faction that controlling Kismayu, and the police feared arresting the suspect would turn the police into a target for attack.

U.S., Pressing Ukraine To Keep Nuclear Vow, Bars Clinton Meeting

New York Times Service WASHINGTON — In an effort to put pressure on Ukraine to give up the nuclear weapons left on its soil by the Soviet Union, the Clinton administration has rebuffed Ukraine's request for a meeting between its prime minister and President Bill Clinton or Vice President Al Gore, administration officials say.

JIHAD: Pakistan's New Challenge

(Continued from page 1) senior Foreign Ministry official. "Some of them registered with us and some did not. We are trying to clean them up. We don't want them staying in Peshawar or in harboring them."

Study Clears Radon Gas As Factor in Leukemia

The Associated Press LONDON — Exposure to radon gas does not increase the risk of leukemia, a study of more than 4,000 cases has concluded.

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Persuading Pyongyang

North Korea's abrupt refusal to allow inspections of its nuclear sites has led the International Atomic Energy Agency to take the unprecedented step of asking the United Nations Security Council to impose sanctions.

Help From Republicans

It took the Senate Republican leader, Bob Dole, and the House Republican leader, Robert Michel, almost no time at all to endorse President Bill Clinton's Russia aid program.

Other Comment

Grappling With Pyongyang is China's role, though Beijing may have limited influence. Pyongyang has much to gain from normalizing ties with Seoul.

No Peace Without Keepers, but Who Offers Troops?

By Leslie H. Gelb

NEW YORK—A dark joke about Bosnia is running through the Clinton administration. What's the only thing worse than the Serbs saying "no" to the Vance-Owen peace plan? The Serbs saying "yes."

Note From My Sarajevo Friend: 'There Is No Good News Here'

SANDRA GANEROS writes: Ten years ago, while traveling on a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts, I lived in Sarajevo. I met Jana K., the woman across the street who could speak English.

ing or able to deliver any such number. So far, the Clinton administration has signaled a general willingness to participate in peacekeeping, but has made no commitments.

Would I be normal then, when the stress is gone? Maybe this confused and shambled letter is merely an illustration of the state of my mind.

It Is Time for America to Help Build a New Pacific Community

By Winston Lord

Mr. Lord, a former ambassador to China, is U.S. assistant secretary of state for East Asian and Pacific Affairs.

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A Guide to Paris's Moveable Feast

By Patricia Wells International Herald Tribune

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Café Music: Good, Bad and Sappy

By Bryan Miller New York Times Service

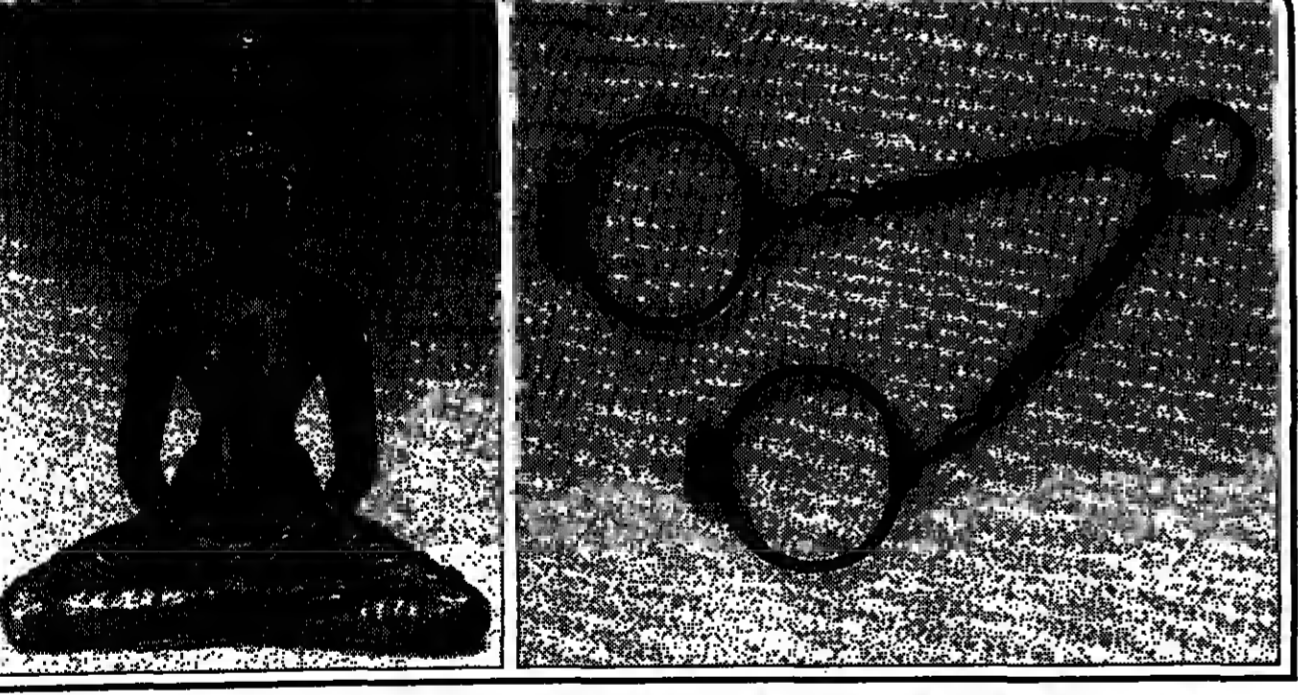
NEW YORK — In my nine years as a restaurant reviewer, logging something like 3,500 meals, I could qualify as a Ph.D. candidate on dining room music...



is as painful as a steak knife to the shoulder blade. I am not against dining room music, live or canned, in the proper circumstances.

rant critic I receive about a dozen letters a day from readers, some offering tips, some groaning about food, and others telling me I have a Nangahyde palate...

THE ARTS GUIDE



From left: Sri Lankan statue in Washington and manacles from 'Les Anneaux de la Mémoire' in Nantes.

- AUSTRALIA Sydney Powerhouse Museum (tel: 217.01.11). To April 18: 'Christy in Australia: Fantasy in Glass.' More than 20 glass sculptures by the American-born artist.

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McDonnell Set to Sell Unit Talks Said to Center on Missile Division

By John Mintz
Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON — McDonnell Douglas Corp., which is financially strapped and has sought to sell a number of its divisions, has been talking to several competitors about their buying its profitable St. Louis-based missile division, defense industry executives said Thursday.

The company with which preliminary talks progressed the furthest was Raytheon Co., but talks appear to have stalled, said an industry official, who requested anonymity. "McDonnell's been quietly shopping it around for a few months, soliciting people," the official said. "If anybody's interested, it's Raytheon."

Martin Marietta Corp. is one of the companies that industry sources said discussed a possible deal with McDonnell.

"We don't comment on rumors, but right now we're totally focused on blending GE's Aerospace with our company," a Martin Marietta spokesman said. Last week, Martin Marietta closed on its \$3 billion deal with General Electric Co.

McDonnell, the largest U.S. defense contractor, declined to comment, as did Raytheon and Hughes Aircraft Co., one of the other companies reported by industry sources to have talked with McDonnell.

The last company named by the sources was Texas Instruments Inc., which did not return telephone calls Wednesday night.

The talks were first reported Wednesday by the Los Angeles Times.

Because of the Pentagon's enormous budget cuts, all parts of the defense industry are under pressure to reduce overhead costs, so many defense firms have spoken to one or another competitor about merging operations or entering joint ventures.

Missile production is perhaps the industry's most competitive sector, and industry analysts have anticipated such moves to sell for some time.

Hughes bought the missile division of General Dynamics Corp. for \$450 million last May. McDonnell's missile division, based at plants in Missouri and Florida, assembles or makes parts for a number of military missiles, including the Navy's radar-guided Harpoon missile, which is used against ships, and its Standoff Land Attack Missile, fired from aircraft at targets on land, using highly sophisticated infrared imaging technology.

McDonnell's plant in Titusville, Florida, also is a contractor on the Tomahawk cruise missile. Raytheon, which along with Hughes is the largest producer of military missiles, is thought to covet McDonnell's Florida missile plant partly because it operates at a low cost, one industry source said.

McDonnell also has tried without success to sell its military helicopter division, or to find a joint-venture partner.

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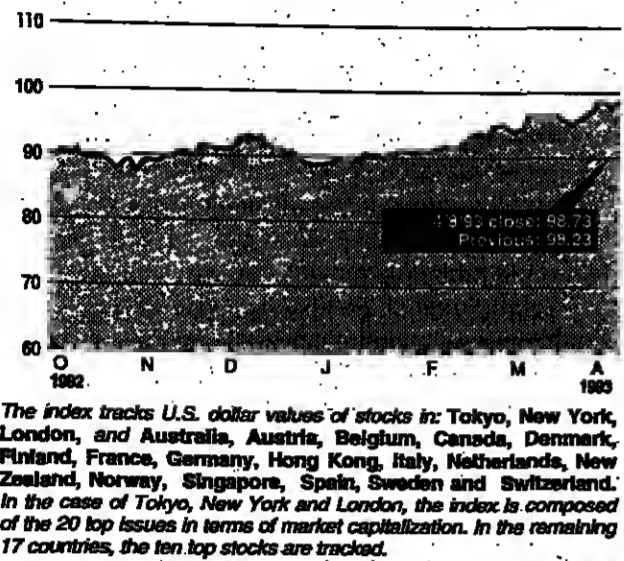


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Balladur to Defend Franc

By Roger Cohen
New York Times Service
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In East Germany, Strike Fear Grows

By Brandon Mitchener
International Herald Tribune
FRANKFURT — Accustomed to lifetime job security, East Germans working in the region's metalworking industries moved inexorably this week toward their first all-out strike in 60 years.

There is no question that a strike would be devastating to the region's economy, which is struggling under the double burden of restructuring and recession. Many East German workers are willing to slow the pace of wage equalization with the West...

Inflation Slowed In U.S. In March

Scant 0.1% Rise In Core Prices Is Balm for Bonds

By Lawrence Malkin
International Herald Tribune
NEW YORK — An inflation scare that had unsettled financial markets this week dissipated Thursday with the release of U.S. wholesale-price data showing a significant slowdown in the underlying inflation rate.

Seasonal factors influenced the overall producer price index in March, which rose by 0.4 percent because winter storms affected meat prices and a cold snap tightened supplies of home heating oil and natural gas.

Italy Plans to Sell Control of Entire Energy Sector

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
ROME — The Italian government decided Thursday that it would sell its majority control of the state's entire energy sector, Treasury Minister Piero Barucci said.

and has already put a number of companies on the auction block. None have been sold so far, however, stirring criticism of the slow pace of the privatization program.

market survey on the placement of Credito Italiano, officials said. The life insurer INA is scheduled for sale at the end of the year, the electricity body ENEL for early 1994 and the telecommunications concern STET for 1994-95.

WALL STREET WATCH

Crop of Good News Sparks Takeoff in Airline Stocks

By Adam Bryant
New York Times Service
NEW YORK — Companies in the long-sputtering U.S. airline industry have issued a number of announcements that are spurring a broad rally in stocks. Most noteworthy was an unexpectedly large jump in domestic passenger traffic in March...

Westinghouse Speeds Real-Estate Disposal

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NEW YORK — Westinghouse Electric Corp. said Thursday it would sell most of the remaining commercial assets of its financial-services unit for about \$1 billion...

Super 301: A Trade 'Monster' It Isn't

By Reginald Dale
International Herald Tribune
WASHINGTON — Some time in the next few months, a fire-breathing monster is likely to be let out of its cage in Washington to wreak fresh havoc on an already badly damaged international trading system.

A move is now gaining strength in both houses of Congress to resuscitate the device—probably as a quid pro quo for giving President Bill Clinton the extended negotiating authority he needs to complete the much-delayed Uruguay Round of world trade talks by the end of the year.

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Good News on Prices
Is Negative for Dollar

NEW YORK Business News
The dollar weakened against most major currencies on Thursday, driven lower by signs that the U.S. economy was not threatened by accelerating inflation, traders said.

INFLATION: U.S. Rate Slows

(Continued from first finance page)
wages in last week's employment report on Friday.

Bond prices had tumbled Friday as the yield on the 30-year bond rose briefly above 7 percent on revised fears of inflation. On the same day, the stock market fell

N.Y. Stocks

nearby 70 points in stock over Philip Morris Cos. announcement that competition from discount cigarette brands had forced it to roll back price increases on Marlboro and other flagship brands.

While the stock market quickly made sense of this harbinger of lower prices for branded products in an economy of slow growth, the bond market at first refused to acknowledge it and tried to push up interest rates as protection against supposedly accelerating inflation.

Thursday's moderating wholesale-price index brought bonds back to earth and both markets into some synchronization.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which had risen 19.45 points on Wednesday, eased 0.54 of a point to 3,964.48, as a late rally cut the market's losses.

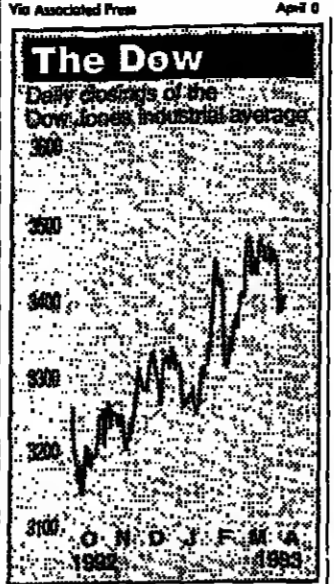
The average's slide was led by Aluminum Co. of America, which fell 2 to 60 3/8. Alcoa said first-quarter earnings were 50 percent lower than a year ago.

Standard & Poor's 500-Stock Index lost 0.89 to 441.84, the Nasdaq Composite Index dropped 2.55 to 666.33, and the American Stock Exchange market value index declined 1.48 to 416.19.

U.S. Treasury plunged 14 3/4, or 31 percent, to 32 after the maker of surgical stapling equipment said it expected second-quarter earnings to be below investors' expectations.

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U.S. / AT THE CLOSE

Charge Gives Alcoa \$1 Billion Loss

PITTSBURGH (AFP) — Aluminum Co. of America, the world's top producer of aluminum, announced Thursday a \$1.056 billion loss in the first quarter of 1992, due mainly to a special accounting charge.

Reuters Buys Market Data Company

NEW YORK (AP) — Reuters America Holdings Inc., the financial news and information company, said Thursday it had acquired American Real-Time Services Inc., which integrates market news and data for securities firms.

Ford Chief Paid \$4.38 Million in '92

DEARBORN, Michigan (AP) — Ford Motor Co. said Thursday it had given its chairman, Harold Poole, a compensation package of \$4.38 million last year, including a slight increase in salary and more stock options than in 1991.

Moody's Cuts Credit Suisse Ratings

NEW YORK (Knight-Ridder) — Moody's Investors Service said Thursday that it had lowered the long-term deposit rating of Credit Suisse and Credit Suisse Financial Products to A2 from A1.

Stone Container Bankruptcy Feared

NEW YORK (Knight-Ridder) — The junk bonds and stock price of deeply indebted Stone Container Corp. extended their steep declines on Thursday as fears that the company's liquidity problems would force it into bankruptcy in the next few months.

Lexmark Buys Laser Printer Maker

LEXINGTON, Kentucky (Bloomberg) — Lexmark International Inc. said Thursday it had agreed to acquire Gestetner Lasers, an Australian maker of laser printers. Terms were not disclosed.

U.S. FUTURES

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Lower Special Gains Sap Profit at SGB

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches BRUSSELS — Belgium's biggest holding company, Société Générale de Belgique, said Thursday that group net profit had dropped 18 percent to 6.2 billion Belgian francs (\$16.8 million) in 1992.

Société Générale Is Guarded on '93

PARIS — Société Générale said Thursday that net profit had fallen 3 percent last year, to 3.27 billion francs (\$399.8 million), from 3.37 billion in 1991, and that results this year might not be any better.

Chairman Quits After 3i Defers Float

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches LONDON — 3i Group PLC said its chairman, Alan Wheatley, had resigned Thursday after its major shareholders decided to defer a planned initial public offering of stock in the venture-capital company.

"Alan was there to spearhead 3i to flotation and has taken the view he has other outside interests to pursue," said the company secretary, Peter Brown, in a telephone interview. "I can't see anything now happening in 1993," he added of plans to go public.

The 3i statement did not give a reason for postponing the initial offer. It said its shareholders were unable to be more definite about plans to list the company. Most of 3i's capital is owned by the Bank of England and British clearing banks.

Hungary Hits Back at EC Cattle Ban Belgium Seeks Buyers for CGER Units

BUDAPEST — Hungary on Thursday banned the import of livestock and dairy products from the European Community and Austria, effective immediately, the official MTI news agency reported.

Hungary also banned the transit of live animals from the Community. The move followed an EC decision to ban live animals, meat, milk and dairy products from Eastern Europe until May 10 to help stop the spread of hoof-and-mouth disease.

BRUSSELS — The Belgian government disclosed Thursday that it had set a May 19 deadline for bids for "significant participation" in Caisse Générale d'Epargne et de Retraite's banking and insurance units.

STRIKE: Job Dispute Threatens Eastern Germany

(Continued from first finance page) for future action in the West, where such a unilateral contract cancellation would be unprecedented.

At the meeting, the head of the Saxon industry employers association agreed in principle to reinstate the 26 percent increase this year in exchange for a nine-month delay of the next big increases.

Advertisements in Belgian and international business newspapers said that only bids from companies active in the financial sector and with net consolidated assets of at least 35 billion Belgian francs (\$1.05 billion) would be considered.

MONSTER: Ferocity of the U.S.'s 'Super 301' Provision Is Exaggerated

(Continued from first finance page) That's borne out by a new study by Thomas Bayard and Kimberley Elliott of the Institute for International Economics, which concludes that, taken together, the 301 legislation has helped to open foreign markets for U.S. companies.

"Super 301 doesn't open markets," says the Community. "It turns trading partners in on themselves and causes retaliation. In addition, it's bad for U.S. consumers."

There's still a chance the administration could change tack and oppose the move. With Washington trying to persuade Japan to provide generous aid to Russia and to stimulate the Japanese economy, senior administration officials could decide it's not the moment to slap Tokyo in the face.

NYSE

Thursday's Closing Tables include the nationwide prices up to the closing on Wall Street and do not reflect late trading elsewhere. Via The Associated Press

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Heron Reaches Accord With 82 Creditor Banks

Bloomberg Business News
LONDON — Heron International NV said Thursday it had completed talks with 82 creditor banks, all of whom agreed to restructure £1.25 billion (\$1.89 billion) of debt.

Heron, which is based in the Netherlands Antilles and has assets and operations ranging from gasoline stations and automobile dealers to real-estate development, publicly acknowledged its debt problems in March 1992, when it suspended business for 10 days and asked lenders to reschedule its debt.

Holdings of Heron's £450 million outstanding of bonds in 11 issues,

none of which has been paid since June, will get restructuring proposals from Heron within 28 days, a statement said.

Under the accord with the banks, all loans to Heron and three of its subsidiaries will be converted to senior debt, junior debt and equity in proportions based on the "size and relative strength" of each creditor's claims, Heron said.

Banks and bondholders in Britain, the Netherlands and Netherlands Antilles will meet in each jurisdiction in mid-June to vote on the restructuring. Final court hearings are tentatively set for the end of June.

Leyland DAF Receivers Agree to Buyout Plan

LONDON — Receivers for Leyland DAF, the British arm of the collapsed British-Dutch truckmaker DAF NV, said Wednesday they had agreed in principle to a management buyout plan for the company's van plant in Birmingham.

"Our agreement, which is subject to contract, covers both price and other critical factors," one of the receivers, Murdoch McKillop of the accountancy firm Arthur Andersen, said in a statement, without disclosing the details.

"We are satisfied that the required funding is in place," he said.

The Birmingham plant, which makes panel trucks, was not part of a restructuring plan for the Dutch and Belgian operations of DAF, which collapsed in February and now operates as DAF Trucks NV.

Meanwhile, managers of Leyland DAF's truck plant in the northern England town of Leyland said engineers there had found ways of keeping production going despite continued supply problems.

NASDAQ

Thursday's Prices
 NASDAQ prices as of 4 p.m. New York time. This list compiled by the AF, consists of the 1,000 most traded securities in terms of dollar value. It is updated twice a year.

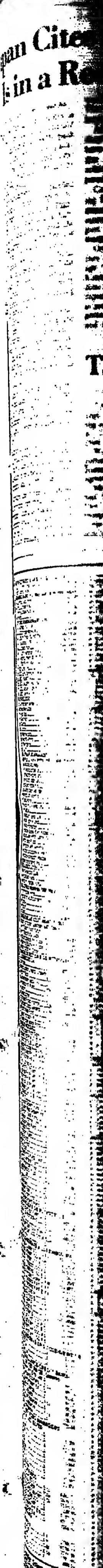
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Japan Cites Signs It Is in a Recovery

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches TOKYO — Japan's economy is already recovering and should reach a sustainable growth path this year with the economic package due to be announced next week, a senior Finance Ministry official said Thursday.

works and infrastructure projects. That would make the package the largest ever in Japan. Although private economists are skeptical, government officials have maintained that a package of this size would help the nation achieve the official forecast of 3.3 percent growth this year.

Corporate Japan has been calling for such a spending package since the last government stimulus plan was approved in August. That package has had only a marginal effect.

Taiwan Yields to U.S. Demands on Copyrights

TAIPEI — Taiwan agreed Thursday to accept in principle a U.S. demand to stop importing copies of U.S. goods without prior approval, Deputy Economics Minister Yang Shih-chen said.

Washington has threatened to impose 100 percent tariffs on Taiwan imports to the United States in retaliation for violation of a copyright agreement signed last year.

Mr. Yang told reporters that while Taiwan had bowed to the U.S. demand in principle, "we will do all we can to strive for more exceptions to be made for us."

He added that Taiwan would ask that products for noncommercial purposes be allowed to

In Malaysia, the Bets Are On Idris Hydraulic Rides Wave of Speculation

Bloomberg Business News KUALA LUMPUR — A casino mentality has gripped Malaysian stocks during the past week and one of the biggest bets being wagered is on an unprofitable investment company, Idris Hydraulic (Malaysia) Bhd.

With interests in everything from property development to insurance to manufacturing, Idris has a track record for being long on promises and short on results. Nonetheless, its stock has left a vapor trail in its wake during recent trading sessions, jumping to 2.72 ringgit (\$1.03) at the close Thursday, or nearly three times its value just two weeks ago.

Idris and a number of other highly speculative issues have turbocharged the Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange, whose benchmark composite index hit a record high Wednesday of 661.35, on volume of 769.4 million shares valued at 1.805 billion ringgit, also a record.

Fairfax Hits A High on Packer Buy

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches SYDNEY — Shares of John Fairfax Holdings Ltd. rose four cents to a record 2.02 Australian dollars (\$1.43) Thursday after Kerry Packer's Publishing & Broadcasting Ltd. confirmed he had increased his stake in Fairfax.

Mr. Packer paid 2.10 dollars a share for the stake, almost 20 cents above the market price at the time. Mr. Packer, Australia's richest man, normally influences markets when his investments become public knowledge. His company is the biggest magazine publisher in the country and owns 45 percent of Nine Network.

Fairfax, which publishes The Sydney Morning Herald, The Age of Melbourne and The Australian Financial Review, had no comment. Tuesday's raid was seen by analysts as a clear sign that Mr. Packer still wanted to win control of Fairfax.

Investor's Asia

Table with columns for Hong Kong, Singapore, Tokyo, and various stock indices and exchange rates.

Very briefly:

- Mitsubishi Kasei Corp., the Japanese chemical firm, and Marion Merrell Dow Inc., the U.S. drug manufacturer, are discussing collaboration in the drug business in North America, Mitsubishi said.

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SPORTS GOLF

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The fight would be backed by American promoter Dan Duva's Main Events and shown on cable television in the United States, either on HBO or Showtime. How much each fighter would receive appears to be a stumbling block.

Sampras Closes on No. 1 As Courier Loses Again

TOKYO — Pete Sampras closed in on Jim Courier's No. 1 ranking Thursday, advancing to the quarterfinals of the Japan Open while Courier lost to unseeded Jonathan Stark of the United States.

Duff said he would seek a blackout of live television coverage in Britain, pushing instead for closed-circuit transmission. If the Lewis-Bruno fight does go ahead in September, Duva said the scheduled Sept. 10 rematch between WBA and IBF champion Riddick Bowe and Evander Holyfield would be moved to October.



Gary Player was not happy after missing a birdie putt on the eighth hole of the Masters' first round.

Nicklaus Fires A 67 for Early Masters Lead

Augusta, Georgia — Jack Nicklaus, playing on the 30th anniversary of his first victory at Augusta, shot a 67 on Thursday to share the first-round lead in the 1993 Masters.

Playing like the Nicklaus of old rather than an old Nicklaus, the 53-year-old six-time champion was tied with youngsters Lee Janzen, Tom Lehman and Ryder Cup player Corey Pavin. Inspired by Arnold Palmer's three opening birdies, Nicklaus also got off to a quick start with a pair of birdies that had the galleries buzzing.

Sampras, the No. 2 seed, had 17 aces in his 6-4, 6-7 (4-7), 6-3 victory over 15th-seeded Guillaume Raoux of France. Stark, ranked 7th in the world, beat Courier, 6-4, 6-2.

Kite's Back Spasms Handicap a Favorite

By Leonard Shapiro

AUGUSTA, Georgia — The state of the game of golf was not the No. 1 topic at Augusta National the day before the 57th Masters tournament began. Rather, it was the state of one of the game's top players, Tom Kite, and of the game's most beautiful course that drew attention and concern.

After a 3½-hour session Wednesday morning in the PGA Tour's traveling fitness trailer, Kite also was allowed to do some chipping and putting, but was prohibited from taking a full swing. When he arrived at the press center for a 15-minute news conference, he was wearing a back brace he said he'd also use while playing the tournament.

Asked what went wrong, Courier replied, "Everything, and a pretty bad line call, but that particular line call was not a key factor in losing. I was already losing the match anyway."

SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL

Major League Standings

Table showing Major League Standings for American League and National League, including teams like Boston, Cleveland, and New York.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL. CLEVELAND — Signed Jason Gruber, pitcher, to minor-league contract and option.

HOCKEY

NHL Standings

Table showing NHL Standings for Eastern Conference and Western Conference.

BASKETBALL

NBA Standings

Table showing NBA Standings for Eastern Conference and Western Conference.

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SIDELINES

Uzbekistan Gymnasts Holiday Losers

BIRMINGHAM, England (AP) — Four gymnasts from Uzbekistan, including world champion and Olympic gold medalist Oksana Chusovitsina, will be unable to take part in next week's World Individual Gymnastics Championships here after being frustrated in their attempts to obtain visas, officials said Thursday.

Cape Horn Sailing Record Broken

BOSTON (Reuters) — Two New England sailors in a high-tech sailboat arrived Wednesday, having cut more than six days off a 140-year-old clipper ship record for sailing around Cape Horn from San Francisco to Boston.

For the Record

The French Rugby Federation said Thursday that four urine tests taken after the recent France-Wales match had been negative, refuting reports that two players had tested positive.

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OBSERVER

Albert's Secret

By Russell Baker
NEW YORK — "We are not amused," said Queen Victoria. She only said it to send Prince Albert right up the wall.

"It is not our fault, dear Albert, that we are a royal we whilst you, being a mere prince consort, are not an 'I,'" observed Queen Victoria.

Poor viced Albert knew what un-amused her. It was baseball. Prince Albert's passion for baseball was a royal scandal.

"Coves?" Prince Albert invariably asked with a witty twinkle. "Isn't that where the milk comes from?"

Queen Victoria were often irritated by the prince's un-English tastes, but this baseball passion had begun to get under her skins.

"The queen are not so quick to talk of disgrace when the Prince is being humiliated by children all over the empire," groused Albert.

"Be good enough not to bore us again with complaints about that child's joke about Prince Albert in a can," said Queen Victoria, unable in spite of herself to suppress a smile.

As usual, she were not amused and told Prince Albert she weren't, while holding his column at arm's length. She knew what he was up to.

"We shall give it to you straight from the shoulders," she said. "We have read your column and commended its suppression on artistic grounds."

"Hacks don't wax," said Prince Albert from well up the wall where Her Plural Royalness had sent him.

Queen Victoria's heart waxed soft. "Come down, our dear, and we shall name a concert hall after you."

Prince Albert smiled with guile. "How about making it a baseball park?" he waxed.

New York Times Service

In From the Cold: Stranger in Hollywood

By Joan Dupont

LOS ANGELES — Joanna Pacula first appeared on screen 10 years ago as the femme fatale in "Gorky Park," a cold-war thriller.

A decade after being discovered, Pacula has become assimilated and describes herself as a working actress.

"I'm becoming nondescriptive," she says. "I used to play these intense dramatic characters, and suddenly in my 30s I'm getting roles it would have been wonderful to have played in my 20s."

She has just returned from a fashion shoot in the desert and is gulping one coffee after another in a dark, air-conditioned bar.

"Marked for Death," "A Passion for Murder" — have a less heroic ring. The years in Hollywood have taught her to roll with the punches.

"People see me as this mysterious European: On screen, I look big and cold and hard," she says, "but I love comedy."



Joanna Pacula, more fatale than ever, in "Under Investigation."

In another age, the actress from Europe — Garbo and Dietrich to Lollobrigida and Loren — kept her mysterious sensuality and her identity.

"Maybe a system that makes actors more secure will come back. It's very difficult to free-lance because you can do one job, then never work again."

She has learned about the Wild West. A few weeks ago, during storms and mad skies, she had to leave her house in the canyon precipitously.

waiting for a break too. There are some big deals going on at the moment; studios are signing up actors, but only big names.

"Today there is no security for actresses; there were people to teach them how to work on their image and how to behave with the press," says Pacula.

"I used to be more artistic and sophisticated," Pacula says. "Today, it's the Wild West — the business has become freelance. Even the agents are lost; they're

country, I was 22. But then I didn't work for two years after, until I moved to Hollywood."

She doesn't see her life in terms of grand schemes. "Maybe I'm not ambitious; I never decided what I wanted to do. I always thought of myself as a theater actress and I have to be realistic because I have limitations that are bigger than other people's."

"The promotion sheet describes her as 'spinning a seductive web around the vulnerable Detective Keaton, using her sensual powers to overwhelm his investigative nature.'"

"I wonder if that was the part they offered Susan Sarandon and Kathleen Turner?" she muses. "Mothers-from-hell. That's what's going on now, that's the latest plague. It's as though writers died, there are no ideas, no human stories; it's all violence, or remakes or sequels. It's confusing — should you go out there and try to find a remake? Get into producing for yourself? Because of the recession, everybody seems to be a bit off base; there's not much to play with. You have to be completely self-sufficient to survive. I'm up for a change right now, but I don't know what."

Pacula doesn't believe that working with a big-name director would make the change she is looking for. "In Europe, the director is a god, it's his movie, in America he's important, but he's a hired person. I've seen fantastic films made by Scorsese and Coppola, and I've seen horrible films made by them. So talent is irrelevant — you have to put the right talent with the right material. That's true of actors too — we don't know our possibilities until we're challenged."

Joan Dupont is a Paris-based writer specializing in the arts.

PEOPLE

German Critics Roast Marlene Dietrich Show

"When will they ever learn?" asked the Berliner Morgenpost music critic, roasting the new musical based on Marlene Dietrich's life.

Mary Jo Buttafuoco, the Long Island woman who was shot and wounded by Amy Fisher, the so-called "Long Island Lolita," is seeking the profits from a book in which Fisher goes into details of her alleged affair with Buttafuoco's husband, Joey Michael Buttafuoco.

A British "Fame?" Paul McCartney has £5 million (\$9 million) in sponsorship promises for a showbiz school for 2,500 students he hopes to set up in his home city of Liverpool.

Madonna zaps China: A new book on Madonna has joined a Mac biography as a hot-selling item at bookstalls in Shanghai.

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WEATHER

Forecast for Saturday through Monday. Includes maps of Europe, North America, and Asia with weather symbols and temperature data.

CROSSWORD

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Includes a solution to the puzzle of April 8.

BOOKS

THE IMMOBILE EMPIRE
By Alain Peyrefitte. Translated from French by Jon Rothchild. 630 pages. \$30. Knopf.
Reviewed by Frederic Wakeman Jr.

By Alan Truscott
THE Vanderbilt Knockout
Team Championship at the American Bridge League's Spring Nationals ended on March 29 with a victory by Howard Weinstein of Chicago.

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